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SUBJECT: ZAMBIAN EMERGENCY RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

1. ON MARCH 14 LISHOMWA, ECONOMIC ADVISOR TO PRESIDENT  
OF ZAMBIA, CALLED ON AID/ W AFR TO OUTLINE ZAMBIAN TRANSPORT  
REQUIREMENTS AND TO SOUND OUT PROSPECTS FOR A. I. D. ASSISTANCE.  
LISHOMWA IS ON MISSION WHICH WILL TAKE HIM TO CANADA,  
SWEDEN, FINLAND, W. GERMANY, AUSTRIA AND RETURN LUSAKA  
APRIL 2.

2. LISHOMWA LAID OUT ZAMBIAN EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS WHICH  
WERE GENERALLY IN LINE WITH U. N. REPORT. HE OUTLINED GRZ  
ACTIONS TAKEN SO FAR TO MEET TRANSPORT REQUIREMENTS:

A) GRZ SIGNED AGREEMENT WITH TAW INTERNATIONAL AST  
WEEK FEBRUARY FOR LEASE OF 300 GM 30 TON TRUCKS AND TRAILERS;  
DELIVERY TO START 60 DAYS AFTER AGREEMENT SIGNED. TRUCK  
LEASE PACKAGE INCLUDES MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SUPPORT.  
GRZ HAS RECEIVED OFFER FROM PACCAR INTERNATIONAL FOR 250  
KENWORTH TRUCKS BUT HAS NOT YET ACCEPTED OFFER. GRZ  
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ALSO LOOKING AT U. S. MARKET FOR 30 EDIBLE OIL ROAD TANKERS, 30 REFRIGERATED ROAD TRUCKS, 100 4 - AXLE TRAILERS AND 100 MISCELLANEOUS VEHICLES. EXCLUDING TAW LEASED TRUCKS, VEHICLES WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY DOLS 12 MILLION C. I. F.

B) GRZ ALSO LOOKING FOR RAILWAY EQUIPMENT: 4 DIESEL ELECTRIC MAINLINE LOCOMOTIVES, 12 SHUNTING LOCOS, SPARE PARTS AND 100 RAILWAY WAGONS ( ADDITIONL) 200 WAGONS TO COME FROM JAPAN). APPROXIMATE C. I. F. COST DOLS 11 MILLION.

C) GRZ SHOPPING IN CANADA FO GENERAL CARGO TRUCKS, TANERS AND RAIL SPARES AND EQUIPMENT. LSO LOOKING FOR ADDITIONL CIDA AID. GRZ REP STAED CHINA SHIPPING 57 TRUCKS.

3. LISHOMWA EXPLAINED THAT EMERGENCY BEING FUNDED SEPARATELY FROM REGULAR DEVELOPMENT BUDGET SO THAT LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT CAN BE MAINTAINED. GRZ HAS SET UP EMERGENCY PLANNING ORGANIZATON WITH STAFF FROM OPERATING MINISTRIES AND DEVELOPMET PLANNING MINISTRY. STAFF HEADED BY SECRETARY- GENERAL AND REPORTING TO TOP LEVEL GRZ. RATHER THAN RELYING ON U. N. OR AN AID CONSORTIUM GRZ APPEARS TO BE PLANNING TO DIRECT LL LOGISTICS , COORDINATION AND MANAGEMENT FOR EMERGENCY TRANSPORT. TWO CANADIAN TRUCKING LOGISTICS ADVISORS, FUNDED UNDER COMMONWEALTH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUND, NOW IN LUSAKA AN WILL ADVISE GRZ FOR TWO YEAR PERID. LISHOMWA INDICATED GOZ PLANNED TO EXPAND THIS LOGISTICS OPERATION IN FUTURE AS OPERATION PICKED UP SPEED.

4. LISHOMWA STATED THEY EXPECT IMF STAND- BY DOLS 19 MILLION IN MID- APRIL AN WORLD BANK APPRAISAL IN MID- APRIL FOR IBRD DOL 25 MILLION PROGRAM LOAN. FYI IBRD INFORMED US THEY CONSIDERING DOLS 25 MILLION PROGRAM LAON WHICH HOPEFULLY COULD BE AUTHORIZED BY JUN 1973. LOAN WOULD BE FOR NORMAL DEVELOPMENT IMPORT REQUIREMENTS AND NOT SPECIFICALLY FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS. IBRD LOAN WOULD BE CONTINGENT UPON GRZ OBTAINING IMF STAND- BY AND INITIATING ECONOMIC REFORMS. END FYI.

5. DURI DISCUSSION LISHOMWA REQUESTED A. I. D. PROGRAM LOAN AND/ OR A. I. D. FINANCING FOR PORTION OF TRUCKS AND RAILROAD EQUIPMENT. WE REPLIED THAT TOTAL A. I. D. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AFRICA LOAN PROGRAM FY 1973 AROUND DOLS 100 MILLION AND THAT

MOST OF THAT ALREADY EARMARKED. WE INFORMED LISHOMWA THAT WE STILL REVIEWING U. N. REPORT ON ZAMBIAN EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS AND HAVEN'T YET DECIDED WHETHER WE WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE AID OR IF WE PROVIDE AID, AT WHAT LEVEL. WE INDICATED THAT A. I. D. WOULD TRY TO BE RESPONSIVE TO GRZ REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE. SINCE A. I. D. LOANS REQUIRE COMPETITIVE BIDDING IT APPEARS DOUBTFUL WHETHER A. I. D. ASSISTANCE COULD MEET ZAMBIA'S IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENTS DURING NEXT SIX MONTHS. A. I. D. ASSISTANCE MORE LIKELY FIT ZAMBIA'S MEDIUM TERM REQUIREMENTS. WE SUGGESTED GRZ MAKE COMMERCIAL PURCHASES OR SEEK EX-IM FINANCING FOR IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENTS.

6. LISHOMWA SENT US AID MEMOIRE REQUESTING DOLS QT MILLION PROGRAM LOAN AND FINANCING FOR TRUCK AND RR EQUIPMENT LIST. POUCHING COPIES.

7. IN LATER DISCUSSIONS WITH EXPORT-IMPORT BANK LISHOMWA INFORMED THAT EX-IM WILLING CONSIDER FINANCING A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF GRZ TRUCK PURCHASE.

8. WE UNDERSTAND GRZ FINANCE MINISTER AND GOVERNOR CENTRAL BANK WILL BE IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK FOR IMF MEETING. THEY BRINGING SUPPLEMENTAL INFO NEEDED FOR IMF STAND-BY CREDIT AND WILL INITIAL REQUEST FOR STAND-BY CREDIT. DECONTROL 3/16/74 ROGERS QUOTE ROGERS

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